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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW PROVIDING FOR MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR JAIL
DORMITORIES TO ALLOW COUNTIES TO HOUSE SIXTY-FOUR INMATES PER
DORMITORY SO LONG AS CERTAIN MINIMUM STANDARDS ARE MET.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 153A-221(d) reads as rewritten:

"(d) Notwithstanding any law or rule to the contrary, each dormitory in a county
detention facility may house up to 64 inmates as long as the dormitory provides all of the
following:

- (1) A minimum floor space of 70 square feet per inmate, including both the
sleeping and dayroom areas.
- (2) One shower per eight inmates, one toilet per eight inmates, one sink with a
security mirror per eight inmates, and one water fountain.
- (3) A telephone jack or other telephone arrangement provided within the
dormitory.
- (4) Space designed to allow a variety of activities.
- (5) Sufficient seating and tables for all inmates.
- (6) A way for officers to observe the entire area from the entrance.

~~This subsection applies only to those counties that have a population in excess of 300,000,
according to the most recent decennial federal census."~~

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.



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